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1. AFTER DAY-LONG CONSULTATIONS WITH OURSELVES, EGYPT,  
ISRAEL AND USSR, WALDHEIM HAS DECIDED ON LANGUAGE FOR  
UNEF REPORT COVERING CONTROVERSIAL DURATION QUESTION.  
ON EGYPTIAN INSISTENCE, THERE IS NO REFERENCE TO ONE  
YEAR TIME PERIOD OR TO PARTIES' CONSENT TO EXTENSION.  
AT SAME TIME, REPORT STATES THAT PRESENCE OF UNEF

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REMAINS ESSENTIAL AND THAT "...CONSIDERING THE

RELEVANT PROVISIONS OF THE AGREEMENT, I THEREFORE RECOMMEND THE EXTENSION OF THE MANDATE OF UNEF." (FULL TEXT OF RELEVANT PARAGRAPH AS GIVEN US BY URQUHART APPEARS BELOW; IT IS IN FINAL FORM EVEN THOUGH REPORT WILL NOT BE CIRCULATED UNTIL LATER THIS EVENING.)

2. DURING MORNING MEETING WITH AMBASSADOR SHERER, URQUHART EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR DEPARTMENT'S DESCRIPTION OF DIFFICULTIES ENCOUNTERED IN ATTEMPTING TO ENSURE ONE YEAR EXTENSION. HE DECIDED TO TRY TO PERSUADE EGYPTIAN AMBASSADOR MEGUID TO ACCEPT LANGUAGE IN WHICH SYG (A) NOTED THAT AGREEMENT PROVIDED FOR ONE YEAR EXTENSION, AND (B) RECOMMENDED SC EXTEND MANDATE FOR ONE YEAR.

3. IN SU 3173, 58,534;832 285# 6&, MEGUID SAID HIS INSTRUCTIONS PREVENTED HIM FROM ACCEPTING THIS. APPARENTLY CONSIDERABLE DISCUSSION TOOK PLACE, INCLUDING REFERRAL TO CAIRO, BEFORE ABOVE LANGUAGE ON DURATION WAS WORKED OUT.

4. WALDHEIM THEN GOT IN TOUCH WITH ISRAELI AMBASSADOR HERZOG, AND DESCRIBED FORMULATION TO WHICH EGYPT HAD AGREED. ACCORDING TO HERZOG'S ACCOUNT TO US, HE TOLD SYG THE FORMULATION WAS CONTRARY TO PAST PRACTICE AND EXTREMELY ODD. HERZOG ADDED INJIGNANTLY THAT TROUBLE WAS SYG HAD NO COURAGE AND WAS TOO EASILY SWAYED BY ARABS AND SOVIETS. (HE DID NOT SAY ISRAEL WOULD NOT ACCEPT THE FORMULATION, BUT WAS CLEARLY PERPLEXED AND ANGRY.)

5. URQUHART ALSO TOLD US IN STRICTEST CONFIDENCE THAT USSR NOW HAS APPARENTLY SHIFTED BACK TO ADVOCATING SIX MONTHS, RATHER THAN ONE YEAR EXTENSION. HE SAID ISRAELI HAD TOLD SYG DURING DAY THAT WHILE MALIK MAY HAVE INDICATED SOME DAYS AGO THAT USSR COULD SUPPORT ONE YEAR EXTENSION, THIS WAS NO LONGER THE CASE. URQUHART FELT FROM TONE OF EXCHANGE (AT WHICH HE WAS NOT PRESENT) THAT A VETO WAS NOT REPEAT NOT BEING THREATENED. HE SPECULATED THAT ASAD'S VISIT TO MOSCOW MAY HAVE CAUSED THE TURNABOUT, AND WONDERED IF US HAD INFORMATION TO CONFIRM IT.

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6. WE HAVE URGED SC PRESIDENT (SWEDEN) TO BEGIN CONSULTATIONS WITH PARTIES AS SOON AS POSSIBLE ON A DRAFT RESOLUTION. WE SUGGESTED (SYG BEING UNWILLING TO DO SO) THAT AN APPROPRIATE RESOLUTION WOULD BE ONE MODELED ON SC RESOLUTIONS 368 AND 371, WITH RENEWAL FOR ONE YEAR.

7. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF PARAGRAPH IN SYG'S REPORT ON

DURATION:

"29. THE AGREEMENT OF 4 SEPTEMBER 1975 AND ITS PROTOCOL HAVE ENTRUSTED UNEF WITH NEW TASKS WHICH ARE DESCRIBED IN THE BODY OF THIS REPORT. THE PRESENCE OF UNEF REMAINS ESSENTIAL, NOT ONLY TO HELP MAINTAIN THE CEASE-FIRE CALLED FOR BY THE SECURITY COUNCIL IN ITS RESOLUTION 338(1973), BUT ALSO TO ASSIST IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NEW AGREEMENT. IN THE CIRCUMSTANCES AND CONSIDERING THE RELEVANT PROVISIONS OF THE AGREEMENT, I THEREFORE RECOMMEND THE EXTENSION OF THE MANDATE OF UNEF." MOYNIHAN UNQUOTE INGERSOLL

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